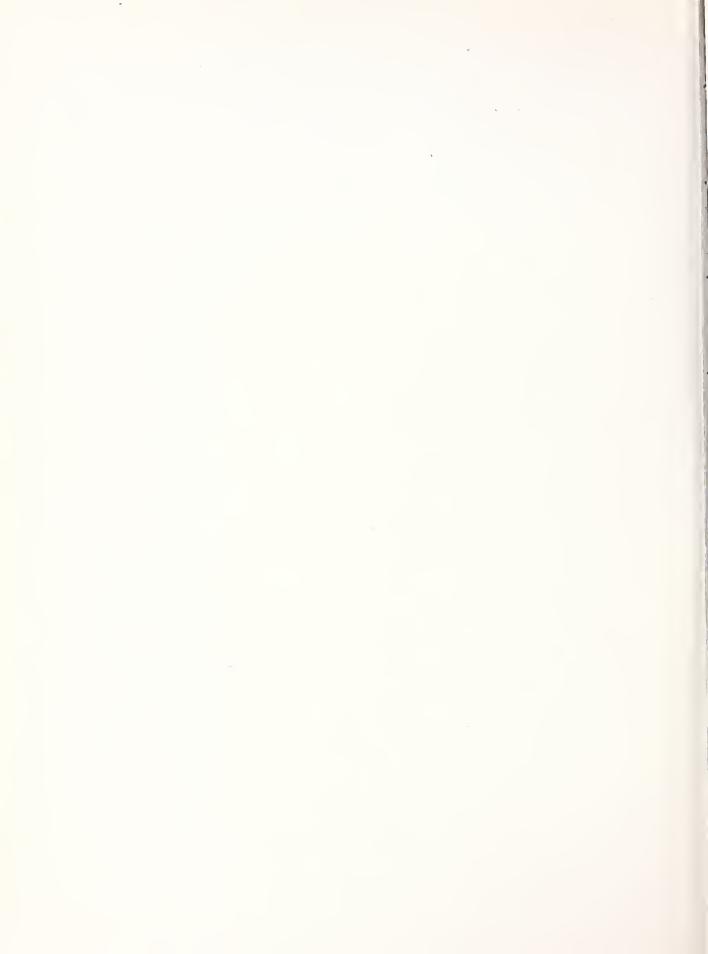
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INTRODUCTION

This monthly report series is intended to keep research workers abreast of the major particulars of solar activity and the associated ionospheric, radio propagation and other geophysical effects. It is made possible through the cooperation of many observatories, laboratories and agencies as recorded in the detailed description of the tables and graphs which follows. The report is edited by Miss J. V. Lincoln of the Sun-Earth Relationships Section.

I DAILY SOLAR INDICES

Relative Sunspot Numbers -- The table includes (1) the daily American relative sunspot numbers, RA°, as compiled by the Solar Division of the American Association of Variable Star Observers, and (2) the provisional daily Zürich relative sunspot numbers, RZ, as communicated by the Swiss Federal Observatory. Because of the time required to collect and reduce the observations, RA° will normally appear one month later than RZ.

The relative sunspot number is an index of the activity of the entire visible disk. It is determined each day without reference to preceding days. Each isolated cluster of sunspots is termed a sunspot group and it may consist of one or a large number of distinct spots whose size can range from 10 or more square degrees of the solar surface down to the limit of resolution (e.g. 1/8 square degrees). The relative sunspot number is defined as R=K(10g+s), where g is the number of sunspot groups and s is the total number of distinct spots. The scale factor K (usually less than unity) depends on the observer and is intended to effect the conversion to the scale originated by Wolf. The observations for sunspot numbers are made by a rather small group of extraordinarily faithful observers, many of them amateurs, each with many years of experience. The counts are made visually with small, suitably protected telescopes.

Final values of R_Z appear in the IAU Quarterly Bulletin on Solar Activity, the Journal of Geophysical Research and elsewhere. They usually differ slightly from the provisional values. The American numbers, $R_\Delta{}^{\bullet}$, are not revised.

Solar Flux Values, 2800~Mc -- The table also lists the daily values of solar flux at 2800~Mc recorded in watts/M²/cycle/second bandwidth (x 10^{-22}) in two polarizations by the National Research Council at Ottawa, Canada. These solar radio noise indices are being published in accordance with CCIR Report 25 that a basic solar index for ionospheric propagation should be measured objectively and "preferably refer to a property of the sun such as radiation flux which has direct physical relationship to the ionosphere."

<u>Graph of Sunspot Cycle</u> -- The graph illustrates the recent trend of Cycle 19 of the 11-year sunspot cycle and some predictions of the future level of activity. The customary "12-month" smoothed index, R, is used throughout, the data being final R_Z numbers except for the current year. Predictions shown are those made for one year after the latest available datum by the method of A. G. McNish and J. V. Lincoln (Trans. Am. Geophys. Union, <u>30</u>, 673-685, 1949) modified by the use of regression coefficients and mean cycle values recomputed for Cycles 8 through 18. Cycle 19 began April 1954, when the minimum \overline{R} of 3.4 was reached.

II SOLAR CENTERS OF ACTIVITY

<u>Calcium Plage and Sunspot Regions</u> -- The table gives particulars of the centers of activity visible on the solar disk during the preceding month. These are based on estimates made and reported on the day of observation and are therefore of limited reliability.

The table gives the heliographic coordinates of each center (taken as the calcium plage unless two or more significantly and individually active sunspot groups are included in an extended plage) in terms of the Greenwich date of passage of the sun's central meridian (CMP) and the latitude; the serial number of the plage as assigned by McMath-Hulbert Observatory; the serial number of the center in the previous solar rotation, if it is a persisting region; particulars of the plage at CMP: area, central intensity; a summary of the development of the plage during the current transit of the disk, where b = born on disk, ℓ = passed to or from invisible hemisphere, d = died on disk, and \prime = increasing, - = stable, \ = decreasing; and age in solar rotations; particulars of the associated sunspot group, if any, at CMP: area and spot count and the summary of development during the current disk transit, similar to the above. The unit of area is a millionth of the area of a solar hemisphere; the central intensity of calcium plages is roughly estimated on a scale of l = faint to 5 = very bright.

Calcium plage data are available through the cooperation of the McMath-Hulbert Observatory of the University of Michigan and the Mt. Wilson Observatory. The sunspot data are compiled from reports from the U.S. Naval Observatory, Mt. Wilson Observatory, and from reports from Europe and Japan received through the daily Ursigram messages.

Coronal Line Emission Indices -- In the table are summarized solar coronal emission intensity indices for the green (Fe XIV at $\lambda5303$) and red (Fe X at $\lambda6374$) coronal lines. The indices are based on measurements made at 5° intervals around the periphery of the solar disk by the High Altitude Observatory at Climax, Colorado, and by Harvard University observers at Sacramento Peak (The USAF Upper Air Research Observatory at Sunspot, New Mexico, under contract AF 19(604)-146). The measurements are expressed as the number of millionths of

an Angstrom of the continum of the center of the solar disk (at the same wavelength as the line) that would contain the same energy as the observed coronal line. The indices have the following meanings:

 G_6 = mean of six highest line intensities in quadrant for λ 5303.

 $R_6 = \text{same for } \lambda 6374.$

 G_1 = highest value of intensity in quadrant, for $\lambda 5303$.

 $R_1 = \text{same for } \lambda 6374.$

The dates given in the table correspond to the approximate time of CMP of the longitude zone represented by the indices. The actual observations were made for the North East and South East quadrants 7 days before; for the South West and North West quadrants 7 days after the CMP date given.

To obtain rough measures of the integrated emission of the entire solar disk in either of the lines, assuming the coronal changes to be small in a half solar rotation, it is satisfactory to perform the following type of summation given in example for 15 October:

where N is the number of indices entering the summation.

Such integrated disk indices as well as integrated wholesun indices are computed for each day and are published quarterly in the "Solar Activity Summary" issued by the High Altitude Observatory at Boulder, Colorado. In the same reports are given maps of the intensity distribution of coronal emission derived from all available Climax and Sacramento Peak observations, as well as other information on solar activity, such as maps made from daily limb prominence surveys in H α and notes regarding the history of active regions on the solar disk.

Preliminary summaries of solar activity, prepared on a fast schedule, are issued Friday of each week from High Altitude Observatory in conjunction with CRPL and include solar activity through the preceding day. These are useful to groups needing information on the current status of activity on the visible solar disk, but are not recommended for research uses unless such a prompt schedule of reporting is essential. The same information is included in the subsequent quarterly reports, with extensive additions, corrections and evaluations.

III SOLAR FLARES

Optical Observations -- The table presents the preliminary record of solar flares as reported to the CRPL on a rapid schedule at the sacrifice of detailed accuracy. Definitive and complete data are published later in the Quarterly Bulletin of Solar Activity, I.A.U., in various observatory publications and elsewhere. The present listing serves to identify and roughly describe the phenomena observed.

Reporting directly to the CRPL are the following observatories: Mt. Wilson, McMath-Hulbert, U. S. Naval, Wendelstein, Sacramento Peak, Mitaka, and Swedish Astrophysical Station on Capri. The remainder report through the URSIgram centers in Europe. Observations are in the light of the center of the H-alpha line unless noted otherwise. The reports from Sacramento Peak, New Mexico (communicated to CRPL by the High Altitude Observatory at Boulder) are from observations at the USAF Upper Air Research Observatory at Sunspot, New Mexico, by Harvard University observers, under contract AF 19(604)-146.

For each flare are listed the reporting observatory, date, times of beginning and ending of observing period (b or a preceding the number denotes true start or end of flare unknown), duration of flare (when known), total area in millionths of visible disk (Sacramento Peak uncorrected for foreshortening; Swedish Astrophysical Station corrected for foreshortening), the McMath serial number of the region with which the flare is associated, the heliographic coordinates in degrees, the time of maximum phase, maximum intensity of flare, fractional area having nearly maximum brightness, and finally the flare importance on the IAU scale of 1- to 3+. A final column lists provisionally the occurrence of simultaneous ionospheric effects as observed on selected field strength recordings of distant high-frequency radio transmissions; a more nearly definitive list of these ionospheric effects, including particulars, appears in these reports after the lapse of a month (see below). All times are Universal Time (UT or GCT). Subflares (importance 1-) are listed by date, time of beginning and their heliographic coordinates.

Ionospheric Effects -- SID (and GID--gradual ionospheric disturbances) may be detected in a number of ways: short wave fadeouts, enhancement of low frequency atmospherics, increases in cosmic absorption, and so forth. The table lists events that have been recognized on field strength recordings of distant high-frequency radio transmissions. Under a coordinated program, the staffs at the following ionospheric sounding stations contribute reports that are screened and synthesized at CRPL-Boulder: Puerto Rico, Ft. Belvoir, Va., and Anchorage, Alaska (CRPL-Associated Laboratories: HU, CO); and White Sands, N. Mex., Adak, Alaska, and Okinawa (U. S. Signal Corps Stations: WS, AD, OK). McMath-Hulbert Observatory (MC) also contributes such reports. In addition, reports are volunteered by RCA Communications Inc., Marconi Wireless,

Netherlands Postal and Telecommunications Services, Swedish Telecommunications, and others; these usually specify times of SID and the radio paths involved.

In the coordinated program, the abnormal fades of field strength not obviously ascribable to other causes, are described as short wave fadeouts with the following further classification:

S-SWF: sudden drop-out and gradual recovery Slow S-SWF: drop-out taking 5 to 15 minutes and

gradual recovery

G-SWF: gradual disturbance; fade irregular in

both drop-out and recovery.

When there is agreement among the various reporting stations on the time (UT) of an event, it is accepted as a widespread phenomenon and listed in the table.

The degree of confidence in identifying the event, a subjective estimate, is reported by the stations and this is summarized in an index of certainty that the event is widespread, ranging from 1 (possible) to 5 (definite). The times given in the table for the event are from the report of a station (underlined in table) that identified it with high confidence. The criteria for the subjective importance rating assigned by each station on a scale of 1- to 3+ include amplitude of the fade, duration and confidence; greater consideration is given to reports on paths near the subsolar point in arriving at the summary importance rating given in the table.

Note: The tables of SID observed at Washington included in CRPL F-

reports prior to F-135 were restricted to events classed here as S-SWF.

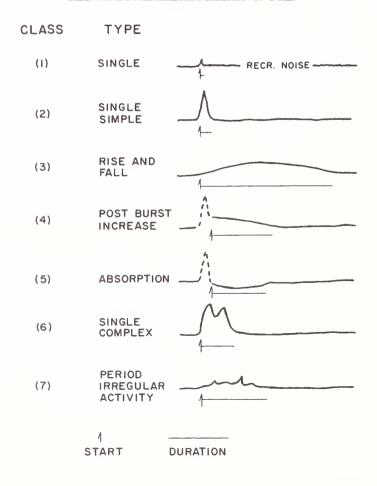
IV SOLAR RADIO WAVES

2800 Mc Observations

The data on solar radio wave events made in Ottawa, Canada by the Radio and Electrical Engineering Division of the National Research Council at 2800 Mc (10-cm emission) are presented. Near local noon (about 1700 UT) the sensitivity of the radiometer is determined and a mean flux for the whole day calculated. These values are given in a tabular form (see table I-1) in units of 10^{-22} watts/M²/c/s. Burst phenomena are measured above this level and are given in terms especially suitable for the variations observed on this frequency. These classifications are described by Dodson, Hedeman and Covington, Ap. J. 119, 541, 1954:

- l <u>Single</u> -- Any one burst without reference to structure, but usually applied to bursts of short duration and with intensity only a few times receiver noise.
 - 2 Single-simple -- A single burst with only one maximum.
- 3 Rise and fall -- A distinct, but less sudden, increase in flux than the usual burst. It may last from tens of minutes to several hours. These events range from large distinct features on the records to tiny bursts, only a few times receiver noise.
- 4 Post-burst increase -- Postburst level is greater than the preburst level. The gradual return to normal flux may require as long as several hours.
 - 5 Absorption following burst (negative post).
- 6 <u>Single complex</u> -- A single burst which shows two or more comparable maxima before the activity has declined to zero.

7 - Period of irregular activity.



200 Mc Observations

Data on solar radio waves made at Cornell University, Ithaca, N.Y. on 201.5 Mc are presented. All times are in Universal Time (UT or GCT). The half width of the antenna lobe is appreciably greater than the solar disk. The flux reported is that contained in one linear component.

3-hourly Flux -- The mean of the three hourly flux measurements is given in terms of KTB where the quiet sun level equals 1.40 KTB.

The variability index is as described for $167~\mathrm{Mc}$ and $460~\mathrm{Mc}$ observations.

Outstanding Events -- A separate table lists the outstanding occurrences classified according to the same system as used for 167 Mc and 460 Mc observations.

167 Mc and 460 Mc Observations

Data on solar radio waves are from observations at 167 Mc and 460 Mc made at the Gunbarrel Hill (Boulder) station of the National Bureau of Standards. The half-width of the antenna lobe is appreciably greater than the solar disk. Polarization has not been determined. All times are in Universal Time (UT or GCT); when the observing period extends slightly into the next Greenwich day, the time scale is extended beyond 24 hours.

3-hourly and Daily Flux -- Flux is given in power units. These units are approximately 10^{-22} watt meter $^{-2}(c/s)^{-1}$ for both polarizations together. They will be subject to a correction factor when gain measurements of the antenna have been made. The median flux is measured for every one-hour period that contains a usable calibration and at least thirty minutes of usable record. A three-hour value of flux is obtained by averaging the available one-hour medians (at least two required). A daily value of flux is obtained by averaging all available one-hour medians (at least 4 required). A dash indicates that insufficient measurements were made to meet the above requirements or that the records were not of usable quality. Parentheses indicate that the value is somewhat doubtful because of atmospheric noise or local interference.

The variability index, given for each three-hour interval, is on a scale 0 to 3 defined as follows:

- $\,$ 0 The instantaneous flux did not drop below one-half the median level or exceed twice the median level at any time.
- 1 The instantaneous flux made from one to ten excursions outside the range described above.

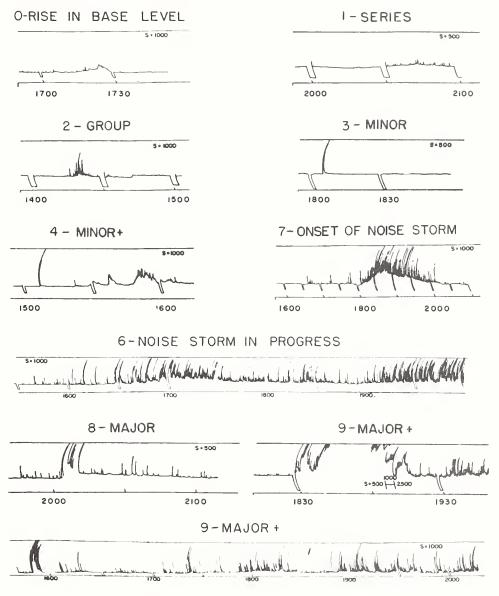
- 2 The instantaneous flux made from ten to one hundred excursions outside the range described above.
- 3 The instantaneous flux made more than one hundred excursions outside the range described above.

For the purpose of the variability index, an excursion whose maximum intensity is M times the median level is counted as M excursions. A dash is used to indicate that measurements were made for less than one hour during the period. Parentheses surround variability indices which are in doubt because of atmospheric noise or local interference.

Outstanding Events -- A separate table lists the occurrences that are not adequately described by the three-hourly values of median flux and variability. These are classified in general accordance with the system described and illustrated by Dodson, Hedeman, and Owren (Ap. J. 118, 169, 1953). The categories of events are identified in the table by numbers, which do not necessarily indicate the magnitude of the event:

- 0 Rise in base level -- A temporary increase in the continuum with duration of the order of tens of minutes to an hour.
- l Series of bursts -- Bursts or groups of bursts, occurring intermittently over an interval of time of the order of minutes or hours. Such series of bursts are assigned as distinctive events only when they occur on a smooth record or show as a distinct change in the activity.
- 2 Groups of bursts -- A cluster of bursts occurring in an interval of time of the order of minutes.
- 3 Minor burst -- A burst of moderate or small amplitude, and duration of the order of one or two minutes.
- 4 Minor burst and second part -- A double rise in flux in which the early rise is a minor burst.
- 6 Noise storm -- A temporary increase in radiation characterized by numerous closely spaced bursts, by an increase in the continuum, or by both. Duration is of the order of hours or days.
- 7 Noise storm begins -- The onset of a noise storm occurs at some time during the observing period.
- 8 Major burst -- An outburst, or other burst of large amplitude and more than average duration. A major burst is usually complex, with a duration of the order of one to ten minutes.

9 - Major burst and second part -- A double rise in flux, the first part of which is a major burst. The second part may consist of a rise in base level, a group or series of bursts, or the onset of a noise storm.



Starting times and durations are enclosed in parentheses when they are limited by the period of observation. The maximum instantaneous flux (Inst. Flux) is measured from the sky level as are the hourly medians. The maximum smoothed flux (Smd. Flux) is that obtained by taking the difference of the maximum value of a smooth curve drawn through the outstanding occurrence with a smoothing period of 20 percent to 50 percent of the total duration, and the value of the interpolated hourly median at that same time had the event not occurred, both measured from the sky level.

C, Kp, Ap, and Selected Quiet and Disturbed Days -- The data in the table are: (1) preliminary international character figures, C; (2) geomagnetic planetary three-hour range indices, Kp; (3) daily "equivalent amplitude," Ap; (4) magnetically selected quiet and disturbed days.

This table is made available by the Committee on Characterization of Magnetic Disturbance of IAGA, IUGG. The Meteorological Office, De Bilt, Holland collects the data from magnetic observatories distributed throughout the world, and compiles C and selected days. The Chairman of the Committee computes the planetary and equivalent amplitude indices. The same data are also published quarterly in the Journal of Geophysical Research along with data on sudden commencements (sc) and solar flare effects (sfe).

The C-figure is the arithmetic mean of the subjective classification by all observatories of each day's magnetic activity on a scale of O (quiet) to 2 (storm).

Kp is the mean standardized K-index from 12 observatories between geomagnetic latitudes 47 and 63 degrees. The scale is 0 (very quiet) to 9 (extremely disturbed), expressed in thirds of a unit, e.g. 5- is 4 2/3, 50 is 5 0/3, and 5+ is 5 1/3. This planetary index is designed to measure solar particle-radiation by its magnetic effects, specifically to meet the needs of research workers in the ionospheric field. A complete description of Kp has appeared in Bulletin 12b, "Geomagnetic Indices C and K, 1948" of the Association of Terrestrial Magnetism and Electricity (IATME), International Union of Geodesy and Geophysics.

Ap is a daily index of magnetic activity on a linear scale rather than on the quasi-logarithmic scale of the K-indices. It is the average of the eight values of an intermediate 3-hourly index "ap," defined as one-half the average gamma range of the most disturbed of the three force components, in the three-hour interval at standard stations; in practice, ap is computed from the Kp for the 3-hour interval. The extreme range of the scale of Ap is 0 to 400. The method is described in IATME Bulletin No. 12h (for 1953) p. viii f. Values of Ap (like Kp and Cp) have been published for the Polar Year 1932/33 and for the years 1937 onwards.

The magnetically quiet and disturbed days are selected in accordance with the general outline in $\underline{\text{Terr. Mag.}}$ (predecessor to $\underline{\text{J. Geophys.}}$ $\underline{\text{Res.}}$) 48, pp 219-227, December 1943. The method in current use calls for ranking the days of a month by their geomagnetic activity as determined from the following three criteria with equal weight: (1) the sum of the eight Kp's; (2) the sum of the squares of the eight Kp's; and (3) the greatest Kp.

<u>Chart of Kp by Solar Rotations</u> -- The graph of Kp by solar rotations is furnished through the courtesy of Dr. J. Bartels, Geophysikalisches Institute, Göttingen.

VI RADIO PROPAGATION QUALITY INDICES

One can take as the definition of a radio propagation quality index: the measure of the efficiency of a medium-powered radio circuit operated under ideal conditions in all respects, except for the variable effect of the ionosphere on the propagation of the transmitted signal. The indices given here are derived from monitoring and circuit performance reports, and are the nearest practical approximation to the ideal index of propagation quality.

Quality indices are usually expressed on a scale that ranges from one to nine. Indices of four or less are generally taken to represent significant disturbance. (Note that for geomagnetic K-indices, disturbance is represented by higher numbers.) The adjectival equivalents of the integral quality indices are as follows:

1 = useless 4 = poor-to-fair 7 = good 2 = very poor 5 = fair 8 = very good3 = poor 6 = fair-to-good 9 = excellent

CRPL forecasts are expressed on the same scale. The tables summarizing the outcome of forecasts include categories P-Perfect; S-Satisfactory; U-Unsatisfactory; F-Failure. The following conventions apply:

- P forecast quality equal to observed U forecast quality two or more grades different from observed when both forecast and observed were > 5, or both < 5
- S forecast quality one grade F other times when forecast quality two or more grades different from observed

Full discussion of the reliability of forecasts requires consideration of many factors besides the over-simplified summary given.

The quality figures represent a consensus of experience with radio propagation conditions. Since they are based entirely on monitoring or traffic reports, the reasons for low quality are not necessarily known and may not be limited to ionospheric storminess. For instance, low quality may result from improper frequency usage for the path and time of day. Although, wherever it is reported, frequency usage is included in the rating of reports, it must often

be an assumption that the reports refer to optimum working frequencies. It is more difficult to eliminate from the indices conditions of low quality for reasons such as multipath or interference. These considerations should be taken into account in interpreting research correlations between the Q-figures and solar, auroral, geomagnetic or similar indices.

North Atlantic Radio Path -- The CRPL quality figures, Qa, are compiled by the North Atlantic Radio Warning Service (NARWS), the CRPL forecasting center at Ft. Belvoir, Virginia, from radio traffic data for North Atlantic transmission paths closely approximating New York-to-London. These are reported to CRPL by the Canadian Defense Research Board, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, and the following agencies of the U. S. Government:--Coast Guard, Navy, Army Signal Corps, U. S. Information Agency. Supplementing these data are CRPL monitoring, direction-finding observations and field strength measurements of North Atlantic transmissions made at Belvoir.

The original reports are submitted on various scales and for various time intervals. The observations for each 6-hour interval are averaged on the original scale. These 6-hour indices are then adjusted to the 1 to 9 quality-figure scale by a conversion table prepared by comparing the distribution of these indices for at least four months, usually a year, with a master distribution determined from analysis of the reports originally made on the 1 to 9 quality-figure scale. A report whose distribution is the same as the master is thereby converted linearly to the Q-figure scale. The 6-hourly quality figure is the mean of the reports available for that period.

The 6-hourly quality figures are given in this table to the nearest one-third of a unit, e.g. 50 is 5 and 0/3; 5- is 4 and 2/3; 5+ is 5 and 1/3. Other data included are:

- (a) Whole-day radio quality indices, which are weighted averages of the four 6-hourly indices, with half weight given to quality grades 5 and 6. This procedure tends to give whole-day indices suitable for comparison with whole-day advance forecasts which seek to designate the days of significant disturbance or unusually quiet conditions.
- (b) Short-term forecasts, issued every six hours by the North Atlantic Radio Warning Service. These are issued one hour before 00^h , 06^h , 12^h , 18^h , UT and are applicable to the period 1 to 7 hours ahead.
- (c) Advance forecasts, issued twice weekly by the NARWS (CRPL-J reports) and applicable 1 to 3 or 4 days ahead, 4 or 5 to 7 days ahead, and 8 to 25 days ahead. These forecasts are scored against the whole-day quality indices.

(d) Half-day averages of the geomagnetic K indices measured by the Fredericksburg Magnetic Observatory of the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

A chart compares the short-term forecasts with Qa-figures. A second chart compares the outcome of advance forecasts (1 to 3 or 4 days ahead) with a type of "blind" forecast. For the latter, the frequency for each quality grade, as determined from the distribution of quality grades in the four most recent months of the current season, is partitioned among the grades observed in the current month in proportion to the frequencies observed in the current month.

Ranges of useful frequencies on the North Atlantic radio path are shown in a series of diagrams, one for each day. The shaded area indicates the range of frequencies for which transmissions of quality 5 or greater were observed. The blacker the diagram, the quieter the day has been; a narrow strip indicates either high LUHF, low MUF, or both. These diagrams are based on data reported to CRPL by the German Post Office through the Fernmeldetechnischen Zentralamtes, Darmstadt, Germany, being observations every one and a half hours of selected transmitters located in the eastern portion of North America. The magnetic activity index, $A_{\rm Fr}$, from Fredericksburg, Va., is also given for each day.

Note: Beginning with data for September 1955, Qa has been determined from reports that are available within a few hours or at most within a few days, including for the first time, the CRPL observations. Therefore these are the indices by which the forecasters assess every day the conditions in the recent past. Over a period of several years, they have closely paralleled the former Qa indices which excluded CRPL observations and included three additional reports received after a considerable lag. Qa was first published to the nearest one-third of a unit at the same time.

North Pacific Radio Path -- The CRPL quality figures, Qp, are compiled by the North Pacific Radio Warning Service (NPRWS), the CRPL forecasting center at Anchorage, Alaska, from radio traffic data for moderately long transmission paths in the North Pacific equivalent to Seattle-to-Anchorage or Anchorage-to-Tokyo. These include reports to CRPL by the Alaska Communications System, Aeronautical Radio, Inc., U. S. Air Force and Civil Aeronautical Administration. In addition, there are CRPL monitoring, direction finder observations and field strength measurements of suitable transmissions.

The original reports are on various scales and for various time intervals. The observations for each 8 hours or 24 hour period are averaged on the original scale. This average is compared with reports for the same period in the preceding two months and expressed

as a deviation from the 3-month mean. The deviations are put on the 1 to 9 scale of quality which is assumed to have a standard deviation of 1.25 and a mean for the various periods as follows:

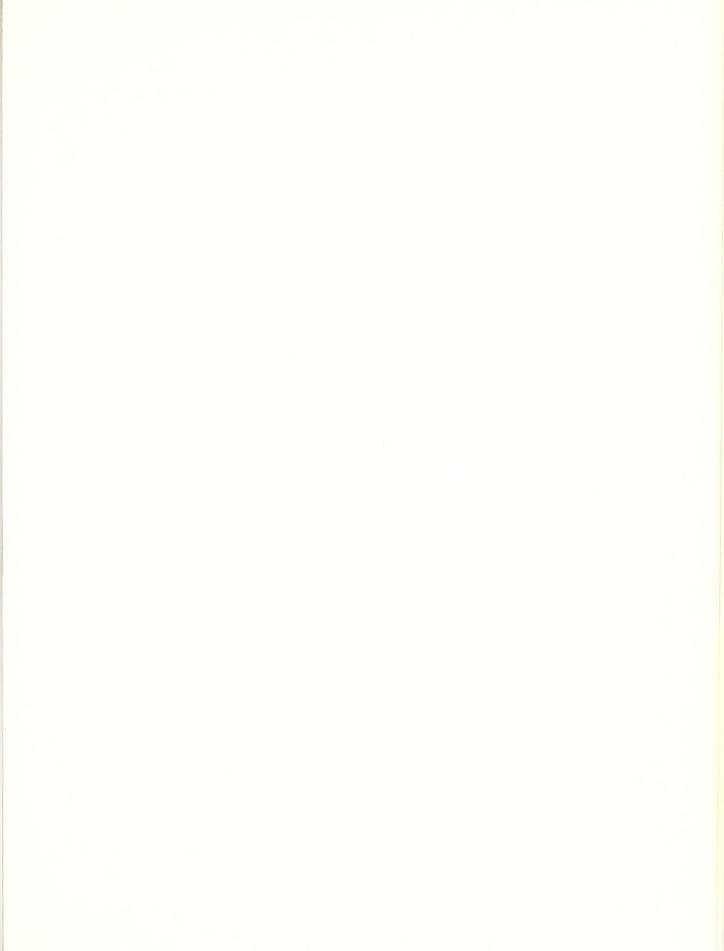
03-10	hours	UT	5.33
11-18			5.33
19-02			6.00
00-24			5.67

The 8-hour and 24-hour indices Qp are determined separately. Each index is a weighted mean where the CRPL observations have unit weight and the others are weighted by the correlation coefficient with the CRPL observations.

The table, analagous to that for Qa, includes the 8-hourly quality figures; whole day quality figures; short term forecasts issued by NPRWS three times daily at 02^h , 10^h , and 18^h UT, applicable to the stated 8-hour periods; advance forecasts issued twice weekly by NPRWS (CRPL-Jp report); and half-day averages of geomagnetic K indices from Sitka.

The chart compares the outcome of advance forecasts, on the same basis as the similar chart for the North Atlantic Radio Path.

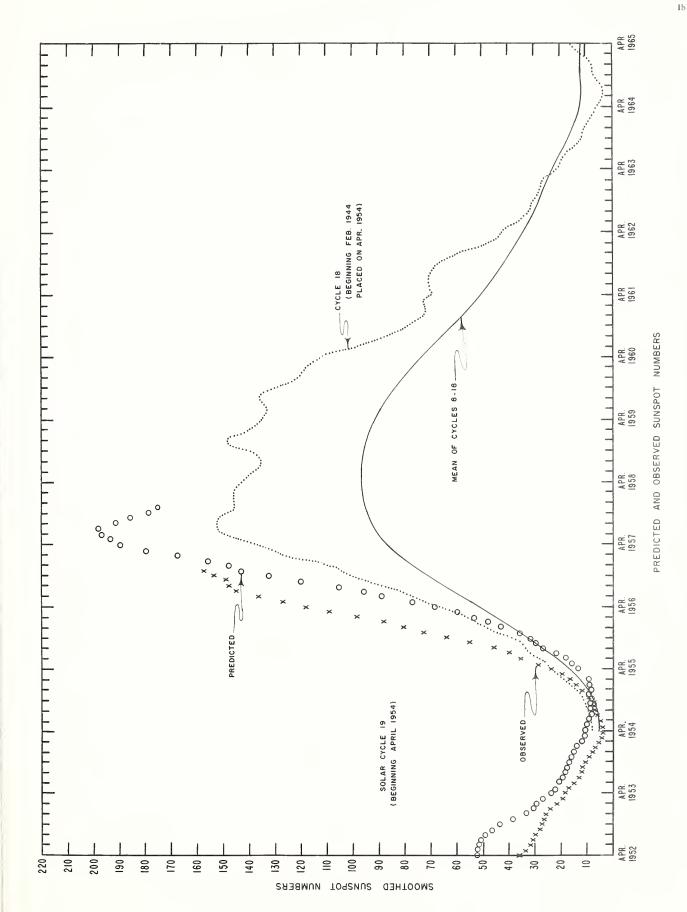
 $\underline{\text{Note}}\colon$ Beginning with November 1956 the short-term forecast formerly made at 0900 UT was changed to 1000 UT. The North Pacific quality figures used for evaluation are now 8-hourly rather than 9-hourly.



DAILY SOLAR INDICES

Apr.	American Relative
1957	Sunspot Numbers
Date	R _A '
1	113
2	127
3	132
4	132
5	150
6	136
7	137
8	164
9	160
10	143
11	117
12	117
13	97
14	93
15	124
16	190
17	187
18	193
19	180
20	198
21	188
22	195
23	226
24	229
25	209
26	183
27	198
28	188
29	180
30	151
Mean:	161.2

May 1957 Date	Zurich Provisional Relative Sunspot Numbers RZ	Daily Values Solar Flux at 2800 Mc, Ottawa, Canada Flux
1	118	175
2	121	176
3	123	182
4	106	190
5	92	202
6 7 8 9	142 136 150 162 195	198 204 207 228 227
11	211	234
12	207	228
13	202	242
14	214	248
15	210	235
16 17 18 19 20	185 179 186 178 179	239 212 214 201
21	195	230
22	155	212
23	184	207
24	195	210
25	150	196
26	140	184
27	140	198
28	147	181
29	154	183
30	172	199
31	180	211
Mean:	164.8	208.4



SOLAR FLARES

MAY 1957

Observa- tory	Date May 1957	Tim Obser Start UT	- 1	Dura- tion	Total Area Mill.	McMath Plage Region Number	Approx. Position Lat. Mer. Dist.	Time Max. Phase UT	Max. Int.	Rel. Area of Max. Tenths	Impor- tance	Provis. Iono- spheric Effect
S.Peak Mitaka Capri-S {McMath Neder.	02 03 03 03 03	1350 50631 51316 51350 51350	1420 0642 al317	30 >11 >01	122 102	3960 3969 3964 3969 3969	N25 E08 S26 E11 S20 E30 S25 W00 S24 E03	1355	15	3	1 1 1 1 1}	Slow S-SWF
S.Peak S.Peak S.Peak Honolulu S.Peak Capri-S	03 03 03 05 05 05	1705 1920 2045 56145 1432 1434	1720 2045 a2125 1063 1455 a1444	15 85 >40 >18 23 >10	110 130 110 41 107	3953 3969 3969 3974 3969 3969	\$18 W72 \$25 W00 \$25 W01 N32 E80 \$25 W25 \$24 W24	1712 1950 2102 1435	20 18 13	8 3 4 5	1 1 1 2 1-}	Slow S-SWF G-SWF S-SWF S-SWF Slow S-SWF
Capri-S Capri-S Capri-S Honolulu Honolulu	06 06 06 06 06	ь0924 ь1020 1143 ь2016 ь2226	a0924 a1028 1158 2035 2238	>08 15 >19 >12	121 121 136	3971 3971 3972 3974 3974	\$17 E43 \$17 E43 \$32 E65 N29 E60 N29 E60	20 1 8 2230			1 1 1 1+ 1	S-SWF G-SWF
Honolulu Capri-S Capri-S {Capri-S Arcetri	06 07 07 07 07	ъ2345 ъ0646 0842 0853 ъ0907	2421 a0737 a0858 0937 0914	>36 >51 >16 44 >07	204 107 233	3971 3972 3972 3974 3974	\$19 E45 \$26 E38 \$26 E37 N13 E45 N12 E45	2353			2 1+ 1 1+ 1+ 1+}	Slow S-SWF
Capri-S Capri-S Capri-S Capri-S Capri-S	07 08 08 08 08	1016 b0500 0515 b0712 0857	1258 a0523 0548 0901 a0921	162 >23 33 >109 >24	437 136 121 219 97	3972 3972 3974 3974 3972	\$26 E41 \$24 E41 \$15 E46 \$15 E45 \$32 E28				2+ 1 1 1+ 1	S-SWF
S.Peak Honolulu Mitaka Mitaka Capri-S	08 08 08 09	2317 2316 52317 50441 0846	2350 2342 a2354 a0528 a0910	33 16 >37 >47 >24	155 275 11 2	3974 3974 3974 3974 3972	N14 E32 N21 E25 N10 E29 N15 E37 S27 E23	2327 2328 2329 0506	20	2	1+ 2+ 1+ 1+ 1	Slow S-SWF S-SWF
Capri-S Capri-S Honolulu {S.Peak Mitaka	09 09 09 09 09	b0911 1147 1940 2230 b2231	0931 1203 1948 2243 a2244	>20 16 08 13 >13	136 97 50	3973 3974 3973 3972 3972	\$22 E21 N13 E25 \$21 E29 \$29 E21 \$28 E20	1942 2235	15	<u>1</u> 4	1 1 1 1- 1-}	
{Honolulu Mitaka Mitaka Mitaka Neder.	10 10 10 10 10	0008 b0011 b0526 0702 1016	0034 0031 0538 0711 1048	26 >20 >12 09 32		3972 3972 3972 3972 3969	\$22 E15 \$25 E07 \$25 E08 \$31 E18 \$25 W90	0022 0013 0530 0704			1 1 1 1+ 1	S-SWF S-SWF G-SWF
Simeiz Simeiz Simeiz Schaus. Simeiz Capri-S	11 11 11 11 11 11	b1103 b1116 b1121 b1235 b1236 1229	1250 al319	>15 >50	170	3972 3973 3972 3967 3971 3967	\$25 W04 \$18 W25 \$28 E10 \$19 W31 \$17 W21 \$18 W33	1103 1116 1121 1236			1 1 2+ 2 1+	
Capri-S Schaus. Ottawa Simeiz Capri-S	11 12 12 12 12	b1516 b0738 1202 b1204 1205	a1528 0805 1337 a1324	>12 >27 95 >79	141	3972 3974 3974 3974	\$29 E01 \$12 W11 N13 W12 N11 W14 N13 W11	1204			1 1 2 1 1	Slow S-SWF

SOLAR FLARES MAY 1957

Observa-	Date May	Ti	me rved	Dura- tion	Total Area	McMath Plage	Approx. Position	Time Max.	Max. Int.	Rel. Area	Impor-	Provis. Iono-
	1957	Start UT	End UT	Min.	Mill.	Region Number	Lat. Mer. Dist.	Phase UT	Arb.	of Max. Tenths		shperic Éffect
Simeiz S.Peak Mitaka Mitaka Mitaka	12 12 12 13 13	b1215 ~1715 b2300 0020 0218	1800 2327 0030 0250	~45 >27 10 32	105 330 135 180	3967 3974 3979 3974 3974	\$20 W48 N13 W16 \$22 E62 N12 W22 N12 W18	1215 1735 2308	23	5	1 1 1+ 1	S-SWF
Mitaka {S.Peak {Capri-S Capri-S Mitaka	13 13 13 13 13	0341 b1305 b1318 1516 2351	0410 1400 a1337 1537 2405	29 >55 >19 21 14	130 160 102 180	3974 3974 3974 3974 3972	N13 W17 N13 W28 N13 W24 N13 W24 S29 W35	1323 2355	26	3	$egin{array}{c} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{array}$	S-SWF Slow S-SWF S-SWF
{Wendel. Capri-S Capri-S {Capri-S S.Peak	14 14 14 14 14	0840 0845 1045 1310 1315	0910 0859 1056 1500 1425	30 14 11 110 70	165 107 462 134	3980 3980 3974 3967 3967	\$24 E77 \$22 E83 N12 W35 \$17 W73 \$19 W73	1343	18	5	1 1 1 2 1	S-SWF G-SWF
Capri-S S.Peak Schaus. S.Peak Capri-S	14 14 14 14 14	1418 1418 51420 1423 51426	1500 1428 1455 1438 1441	42 10 >35 15 >15	272 69 62 92	3980 3980 3980 3979 3979	\$20 E69 \$22 E75 \$20 E74 \$11 E33 \$11 E33	1420 1428	17 20	6	2 1- 1- 1- 1	S-SWF
S.Peak Honolulu Honolulu {Capri-S {Mitaka	14 14 15 15 15	1840 52002 0150 0738 50748	1850 2052 0158 a0807 a0758	10 >50 08 >29 >10	127 87 135	3974 3974 3974 3979 3979	NO9 W50 N12 W44 N15 W50 S11 E23 S11 E25	1843 2002 0152	20	5	1 1+ 1 1-}	S-SWF S-SWF
S.Peak Capri-S S.Peak Capri-S McMath	15 15 15 15 15	1234 1235 1405 1407 b1408	1300 1301 1418 a1415 a1420	26 26 13 >08 >12	76 121 48 3 ⁴	3979 3979 3979 3979 3979	\$12 E20 \$12 E22 \$11 E15 \$09 E15 \$11 E18	1238 1410	19 25	8 7	1-} 1- 1- 1- 1+}	G-SWF S-SWF
S.Peak Mitaka Mitaka Mitaka Mitaka	15 15 15 15 16 16	1815 b2208 2320 0003 0101	1833 2323 2333 0014 0119	18 >75 13 11 18	110 180	3982 3982 3974 3979 3974	\$16 W44 \$18 W44 N12 W60 \$11 E10 N11 W56	1823	15	8	1 1+ 1 1	Slow S-SWF G-SWF S-SWF
Mitaka Capri-S Ottawa Capri-S Mitaka	16 16 16 16 16	b0350 b0907 1242 b1245 b2221	0417 a0908 1304 a1315 a2246	> 27 > 01 22 > 30 > 25	175 146 184	3980 3980 3979 3979 3982	\$26 E60 \$24 E51 \$11 E07 \$12 E10 \$15 W58	1245 2235			1 1+ 1+ 1+ 1	Slow S-SWF S-SWF S-SWF
S.Peak Mitaka Honolulu S.Peak Mt.Wilson	16 17 17 17 17	2325 50046 0048 ~1557 51601	2340 a0129 0120 a1610 1611	15 >43 32 >13 >10	120 221 130	3982 3982 3984 3979 3979	\$16 W60 \$15 W58 \$15 E60 \$11 W05 \$15 W05	2330 0051 1605	16 20	9	1 1 1 1 1}	S-SWF S-SWF
Mt.Wilson S.Peak Capri-S {Schaus. Capri-S	17 17 18 18 18	ъ1726 2207 0719 ъ0810 0810	1746 a2315 0736 0827 a0939	>20 >68 17 >17 >89	110 112 151	3982 3972 3983 3979 3979	\$15 W55 \$35 W90 NO7 E34 \$12 W15 \$10 W14	2252	18	8	1 1 1 1+ 1+	S-SWF

SOLAR FLARES

MAY 1957

Observa- tory	Date May	Tin Obse Start		Dura- tion	Total Area	McMath Plage Region	Approx. Position Lat. Mer.	Time Max. Phase	Max. Int.	Rel. Area of Max.	Impor- tance	Provis. Iono- spheric
		UT	UT	Min.	Mill.	Number	Dist.	UT	Arb.	Tenths		Effect
Schaus. {Capri-S Schaus. S.Peak Neder.	18 18 18 19 20	b0902 b1010 b1015 b1249 b0840	0950 a1034 1017 1310 0935	>48 >24 >02 >21 >55	267 172	3979 3988 3988 3980 3990	\$13 W14 \$16 E76 \$22 E75 \$29 E15 \$12 E80				1 1 1 1	
Honolulu Honolulu Mitaka {Honolulu Mitaka	20 20 21 21 21	2142 2334 0109 0204 b0212	2216 2346 0120 0228 0227	34 12 11 24 >15	89	3980 3983 3990 3980 3980	\$11 WO7 N10 WO1 \$10 E71 \$22 WO8 \$23 W12	2150 2336 0111 0208 0218			2 1 1 2 1+}	Slow S-SWF
Ottawa S.Peak {Honolulu S.Peak Honolulu	21 21 21 21 21	ы 1208 ы 1245 1856 1900 2252	1229 1300 1938 1935 a2304	>21 >15 42 35 >12	110 159	3987 3987 3990 3990 3987	N15 E44 N13 E46 S11 E60 S12 E63 N18 E38	1220 1255 1908 1908 2304	14 18	8 9	1 1 1 1 1+	Slow S-SWF
Honolulu {Honolulu S.Peak {Capri-S S.Peak	22 22 22 23 23	0008 1830 1830 51244 51246	0022 a1834 1845 1302 1305	14 >04 15 >18 >19	93 112 55	3980	\$20 W22 \$07 E21 \$12 E21 \$12 E09 \$12 E08	0012 1834 1833	16 16	2 9	1 1-} 1-}	
{Capri-S S.Peak S.Peak McMath Capri-S	23 23 23 24 24	b1355 b1355 1800 b1418 1424	1416 1408 1815 a1443	>21 >13 15 >19	97 48 121 107	3990 3990 3976 3990 3990	\$13 E40 \$15 E39 N28 W90 \$10 E25 \$11 E23	1355 1803	20 17	9 9	1 1 1 1 1}	G-SWF G-SWF
S.Peak McMath Kiev. S.Peak McMath	24 24 25 25 25	ы617 ы620 ы438 1440 1450	1637 1645 1500	> 20 > 25 20	125 40	3993 3993 3980 3980 3980	N10 W53 N10 W50 S20 W70 S20 W89 S20 W90	~1618 1442	28 22	2	1+} 2 1-} 1	S-SWF S-SWF
S.Peak S.Peak Mitaka Mitaka Capri-S	25 26 27 27 29	1540 2040 52307 52329 0658	1655 2135 a2344 2335 0706	75 55 > 37 > 06 08	190 147 121	3983 3988 3988 3984 3997	N10 W65 S17 W15 S16 W17 S13 W63 S17 E84	1552 2048	22 18	1 8	1 1+ 1 1	S-SWF
Capri-S Honolulu {S.Peak Capri-S S.Peak	29 30 30 30 30	ъ1046 0240 1250 ъ1251 1620	al100 a0246 1305 al302 1630	>14 >06 15 >11 10	185 49 185 118	3997 3987 3987 3987	\$15 E82 \$26 W30 N26 W71 N26 W68 N26 W76	0246 1252 1623	16	3	1 1- 1-}	S-SWF S-SWF
Capri-S Capri-S S.Peak Neder. McMath	31 31 31 31 31	b0810 0910 1258 1300 b1320	a0819 a0920 1318 1340	>09 >10 20 40	107 49 145	3987 3987 3987 3987 3987	N26 W80 N25 W90 N25 W82 N27 W85 N23 W90	1305	20	9	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Slow S-SWF
S.Peak Capri-S McMath S.Peak	31 31 31 31 31	1558 51558 51604 1905	1613 1605 1933	15 >07 28	115 49 115	3987 3987 3987 3986	N25 W82 N25 W90 N23 W90 S21 E20	1603 1910	18 18	7	1 1- ?	Slow S-SWF

Subflares noted as follows (Date, time (UT), coordinates):

S. Peak: unmarked McMath: ++ Capri-S: + Mitaka: *

May 01, 1420 (\$14,W20) May 02, 1720 (\$10,W67) May 03, b1300 (\$26,E04) 1815 (\$26,E50) 2253 (\$24,E90) 1515 (\$25,E03)

SOLAR FLARES

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Subflares noted as follows (Date, Time (UT), coordinates):

S. Peak: unmarked McMath: ++ Capri-S: + Mitaka: * May 03, 04, 05 07 08, 09, 10, 11, 12,

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(SHORT-WAVE RADIO FADEOUTS)

APRIL 1957

Apr. 1957	Sta rt UT	End UT	Туре	Wide- spread Index	Impor- tance	Observation stations	Known Flare, UT CRPL-F 153B
1 1 1 1 2	0624 0725 1245 1600 0250	0655 0739 1410 1622 0450	S-SWF Slow S-SWF G-SWF Slow S-SWF G-SWF	1 5 3 2 4	1+ 1 1+ 1- 3	OK OK, cw*** BE, MC, PR BE, FR AN, OK, SY, TO+, cw+, cw++	b1319 b0255
2 2 3 3 5	0638 1915 0121 0833 1408	0718 2100 0149 0908 1440	S-SWF Slow S-SWF Slow S-SWF G-SWF Slow S-SWF	2 5 1 5	1 3 1+ 2	AN, OK BE, CO, HU, MC, NE**, PR, WS, CO, RCA+, RCA* OK, TO+ MA++, NE**, OK, SW***, TO+, CW***, CW** BE, CO, DA*, HU, LI, MA, MC, NE**, PR, WS, CW**	b 0856
6 6 7 8 8	0127 0837 1500 0338 0612	0150 0917 1525 0355 0700	S-SWF G-SWF S-SWF S-SWF Slow S-SWF	1 5 1 3	2 1 2- 1 2	OK DA*, LI, NE** BE, DA*, LI, MC, NE**, PR OK, TO+ DA*, LI, NE**, OK, TO+	1458 50342 50616
9 11 12 12 13	1412 1731 1325 1856 0425	1440 1835 1352 2025 0457	S-SWF S-SWF Slow S-SWF S-SWF G-OWF	5 5 5 5 1	1 3 1 3+ 1	BE, HU, MC, NE**, PR BE, CO, HU, MC, NE**, TO+, WS, RCA* BE, HU, MC, NE**, PR AN, BE, CO, DA*, HU, MC, NE**, PR, WS, RCA+ OK	b1420 1722 b1324 1850
14 15 15 15	1710 0547 0730 1 3 54	1740 0623 0833 1600	S-SWF G-SWF Slow S-SWF S-SWF	5 1 4 5	1+ 1+ 2 3	AN,BE,CO,HU,MC,NE**,PR,WS OK NE**, OK, TO+, SW***, CW** AN,BE,CO,HU,MA+;MC,NE**,PR,SW**,WS,RCA,CW*, CW***,CW**	1708 ъ0556 ь1410
16	0140	0230	G-SWF	1	1+	<u>0K</u>	
17 17 17 17	0128 0322 0520 1004	1200 0152 0422 0600 1123	S-SWF Slow S-SWF G-SWF G-SWF S-SWF	5 2 3 2 2	3 2 3 2 3	MA+;Mc,NE**,PR,SW***,RcA;CW;CW;cW***,CW** OK, TO+ OK, TO+, CW+, CW++ AN, OK DA*,MA++, NE**,SW***,CW***	ъ1048
17 17 17 17 18	1455 1705 1843 1937 0907	1513 1725 1910 2220 0945	Slow S-SWF Slow S-SWF S-SWF Slow S-SWF S-SWF	5 1 4 4 2	1+ 1- 2+ 3+ 1+	BE, CO, DA*, HU, MC, PR, WS MC, PR, WS BE, CO, HU, MC, PR, WS, RCA*, RCA+ BE, CO, HU, MC, PR, WS, RCA*, RCA+ NE, SW***, CW***, CW***	1455 2000 0907
18 18 18 19	1304 2021 2258 0343 0430	1340 2200 2318 0419 0610	S-SWF S-SWF S-SWF Slow S-SWF G-SWF	5 4 5 1	2+ 2+ 1 1	BE,CO,DA,HU,MC,NE*,SW**,TO;VS,RCA,CW**,CW** BE,CO,HU,MC,TO+,WS,RCA+, OK,TO+,WS OK	b1310 2025 b0512
20 20 20 20 21	0330 1017 1107 1845 0305	0418 1050 1145 1855 0342	S-SWF Slow S-SWF G-SWF Slow S-SWF G-SWF	1 5 3 1	1+ 2 2- 1	OK AN, MA++ DA*, NE**, PR, SW***, CW*** BE, MC, PR, WS OK	
22 22 22 22 22 23	0009 0543 1423 1725 0146	0103 0615 1452 1800 0235	G-SWF Slow S-SWF S-SWF Slow S-SWF G-SWF	3 1 5 4 1	1 1- 1+ 2	AN, OK OK DE, CO, DA*, HU, MC, NE**, PR, WS BE, CO, HU, MC, PR, WS OK	ъ0551 1420
23 24 24 25 25	0616 0335 1710 0022 0127	0640 0520 1732 0040 0140	Slow S-SWF G-SWF Slow S-SWF Slow S-SWF Slow S-SWF	3 3 2 1	1- 1+ 1- 2	AN, OK AN, OK MC, WS OK OK	
25 26 26 27	1315 0630 2041 0028	1330 0645 2052 0104	Slow S-SWF S-SWF Slow S-SWF G-SWF	5 3 4 1	1+ 1 1	AN, BE, MC, NE**, PR AN, OK AN, BE, HU, MC, PR, WS OK	b1313 b0632 2032
28	1540	1625	G-SWF	14	1	AN, BE, HU, MC, PR, WS	ъ1546

DA*
NE**
SW***
TO+
MA++
RCA* Darmstadt, Germany

Nederhorst den Berg, Netherlands

Enköping, Sweden

Hiraiso Radio Wave Observatory, Japan

Madrid, Spain

RCA+

CW*

CW*

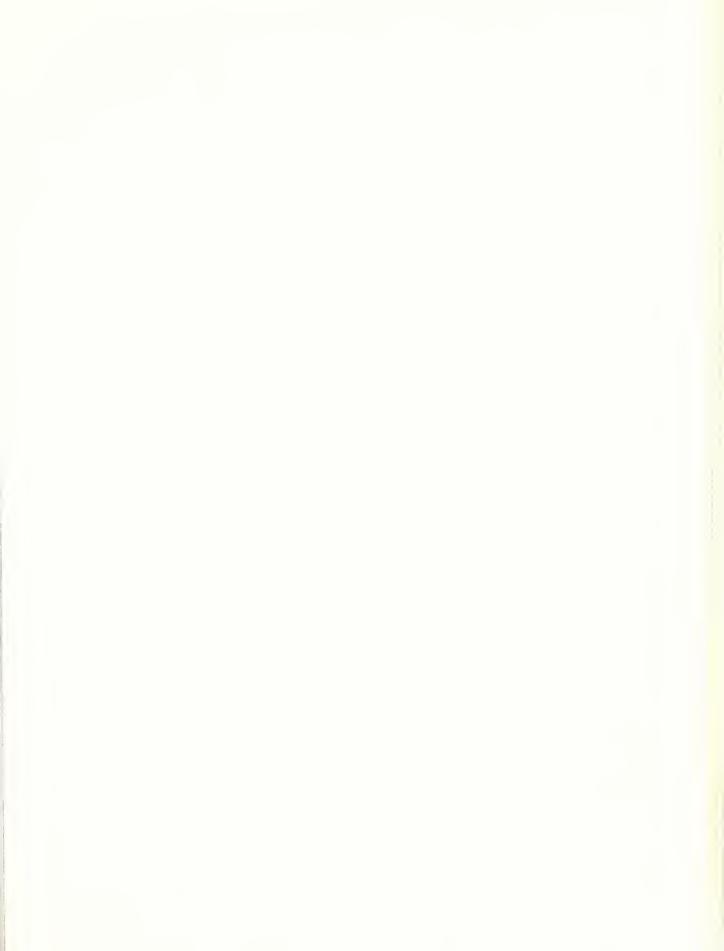
CW**

CW+

RCA Communications Inc., Riverhead, N.Y.

CW+

RCA Communications, Inc., Pt. Reyes, Calif. Cable and Wireless, Barbadoes Cable and Wireless, Somerton, England Cable and Wireless, Brentwood, England Cable and Wireless, Hongkong Cable and Wireless, Singapore



SOLAR RADIO WAVES (OTTAWA)--2800 MC

OUTSTANDING EVENTS

MAY 1957

				Maxim	um	
May	*	Start UT	Duration	Time UT	Peak	
1957	Type*	Hrs:Mins	Hrs:Mins	Hrs:Mins	Flux	Remarks
3 4 5	3 2 Group (2) 1 1	19 25 19 50.5 12 13.8 12 13.8 12 14.5	2 10 1.5 3.2 0.5 2.5	20 10 19 51 12 14 12 16	7 10 4 16	
5 5 5 5 5	2 1 1 2 1	16 01 16 51.7 17 30.5 21 23.8 23 20.7	2.5 1.5 1.5 2 1	16 01.2 16 52 17 31.2 21 24.2 23 21	7 4 17 28 7	
7 7 8	Group (2) 2 2 2 2 2	10 25 10 25 10 42 12 03 14 53	19.5 6 2.5 2.5 3	10 27.8 10 43 12 03.5 14 54	30 25 9	
8	Group (3) 6 2 1 2	20 14.5 20 14.5 20 30 20 47.7 23 21.5	33.7 2.5 6 0.5	20 15.1 20 31.3 20 48 23 22.5	22 23 4 23	
9 9 10 10	1 2 3 2 1	13 25.7 23 26.7 12 52 12 55 19 32.5	1.5 3 1 20 5 2	13 26.2 23 28 13 12 12 56.7 19 33.5	5 22 15 30 ←	{Superimposed on Rise and Fall
11 11 11 11 12	2 2 2 1 3	15 15.5 20 52 21 56.5 23 53 12 00	6 6 3.5 6	15 17.6 20 54 21 57.3 23 56.3 12 13	20 15 6 35 16	In Sunset Osc.
12 12 12 12 12	2 3 2 6 3	12 02.5 15 00 17 44 18 38 22 30	5 2 5 12 1 10	12 04.2 15 09 17 45 18 40 22 55	8 - 10 20 8 10	{Superimposed on Rise and Fall
13 13	2 Group (3) 1 1	12 37.2 20 44.9 20 44.9 20 45.5 20 46.7	2 3.1 0.6 0.8 1.3	12 37.9 20 45.1 20 46 20 47.2	19 8 8 21	

^{*} See page 6.

SOLAR RADIO WAVES (OTTAWA)--2800 MC

OUTSTANDING EVENTS MAY 1957

r			1	Maxim	1170	
May		Start UT	Duration	Time UT	Peak	
1957	Type*	Hrs:Mins	Hrs:Mins	Hrs:Mins	Flux	Remarks
14 14	1 Group (3) 1 1	10 44.5 13 12.5 13 12.5 13 16 13 25.5	2 19 1 3 6	10 45 13 13 13 17.5 13 26.5	7 4 7 7	
14 14 14	Group (2) 2 2 2 2 4	14 18.5 14 18.5 14 24.5 16 56.5 18 37.5	11 2 5 3 10 30	14 19 14 26 16 57.2 18 38.5	12 14 9 410 16	
14	3	20 01	23	20 02	13	
14 15 15 15	1 6 3 2	21 27 11 10 12 33.5 12 37	11 1.5 8.5 1	20 16 21 29 11 10.7 indet. 12 37.3	13 9 24 11 12 	{Superimposed on Rise and Fall
15 15 15 16	7 1 2 6	13 20.5 14 06.3 20 53 12 43	8 1.5 4.5 10	13 26 14 07 20 54.5 12 45 12 47	10 13 25 83 83	
55	2	16 15	3	16 16	28	
22 22 24 24 25	1 1 3 2 2	17 55 21 28.5 16 04 16 06.5 14 40.7	2 3 14 4.5 2	17 56.7 21 29.5 indet. 16 07.9 14 41	8 5 7 70 63	Superimposed on Rise and Fall
25 25 26 26 27	3 1 3 1	15 38 15 43 20 35 20 37.5 17 56	1 25 2 2 30 3 2	16 10 15 43.5 21 09 20 38.7 17 57	7 7 8 12 24	{Superimposed on Rise and Fall Superimposed on Rise and Fall
27 27 27 31 31 31	1 1 1 3 7	23 20.5 23 27.7 23 44.5 19 04 21 11.5 21 12	1 1.5 1.5 1.5 25	23 20.7 23 28.2 23 45 19 04.5 indet. 21 14.5	6 8 11 7 7 15	Superimposed on Rise and Fall

^{*} See page 6.

Note: During the period from 14:30 UT, May 17, to 15:00 UT, May 22, there were no continuous records due to failure of the antenna drive mechanism.

SOLAR RADIO WAVES (CORNELL)--200 MC

3-HOURLY FLUX

MAY 1957

		Flux		Val	riabilit	у	Observed Periods
May		ours UT	- 0			- 0	Hours UT
1957	12 15	15 18	18 2 1	12 15	15 18	18 21	
1	[1.40	1.40	1.40]	[0	0	0]	1305-2000
3 4	C1.40 C1.55	1.40 1.45	1.40]	[0	0	U J	1300-2000 1240-2000
4	£1.40	1.40	1.40]	[0	Ō		1230-2000
5	□1.40	1.65	1.80]	[1	1		1315-2000
6	[2.10	2.60	2.65]	[]	2	13	1245-1925
7 8	E4.35	3.30	2.75]	[1	1	13	1240-1550,1610-2000
9	[2.10 [4.40	[2.00 3.25	2.10] 2.60]	[1	[]	1]	1245-1305,1320-1510,1545-2005
9	L 4,40	3.27	2.00]	[5	2	2]	1250-2000
10	C2.40	2.35	3.05]	[1	1	2]	1240-2015
11 12	□3.25 □1.40	3.20 1.75	3.15] 2.55]	[1	1 1	1]	1250-2005
13	C1.70	2.00	2.00]		1	1]	1250-2015 1240-2010
14	□ 5.35	4.95	3.90]	[5	2	2]	1245-2005
15	C2.85	3.35	2.50]	[1	2	21	1235-1440,1515-2010
16	C1.90	2.05	2.10]	[1	1	11	1240-2015
17 18	[2.05]	2.40 2.55	2.40]	[1	2	5]	1245-1710,1730-2005
19	E 1.40	1.40	1.40]	[1	1		1240-2000 1225-2000
20 21	□1.45 □1.40	1.40 1.45	1.65] 1.45]	[1	1	13	1250-1300,1315-2000
22			T-4)J	-	-	- T-1	1245-2010
23	□1.40	1.40	1.40]	[1	1	13	1250-2030
24	□ 1.45	1.55	1.40]	[1	1	0]	1300-1925
25	E1.45 (1.40]	[1	0_	13	1250-1430,1440-1515,1600-2010
26 27		1.40] 2.00	1.40] 2.80]	[1	0]	7 7	1250-1710,1800-2040
28		2.90	3.50]	[[] []	1	5.1	1400 - 2005 1240 - 2005
29	Ē1.60	1.45	1.45]		Ō	13	1245-2000
30	[[2.45	2.65	3.05 J	[[2	2	27	1440-2005
31	E2.70	2.75	2.55]	[5	5	2]	1240-2010

SOLAR RADIO WAVES (CORNELL)--200 MC

OUTSTANDING EVENTS

MAY 1957

May 1957	Туре	Start UT	Duration Minutes	Max Inst. Flux	imum Smd. Flux	Remarks
2 13 13 15 15	333333	1832 1604 1924 1/2 1405 1/2 1908	2 1 2 1/2 2 1/2 2 1/2	>10.9 >10.9 10.9 >10.9 >10.9	>10.9 10.9 10.9 >10.9 >10.9	off-scale off-scale
15 16 17 17 19	2 3 3 3	200 ¹ 4 12 ¹ 4 ¹ 4 1602 1/2 17 ¹ 43 1856 1/2	2 1/2 1 1/2 3 2 1/2	>10.9 >10.9 >10.9	>10.9 >10.9 >10.9	off-scale off-scale off-scale
20 20 23 24 25 30	3 3 3 3 3 2	1748 1/2 1757 1354 1607 1947 1/2 1742	2 1/2 1 1 1/2 1 1 3 ¹ 4	>10.9 >10.9 >10.9 >10.9 >10.9	>10.9 >10.9 >10.9 >10.9 >10.9	off-scale

Flux in terms of KTB.

SOLAR RADIO WAVES (BOULDER) -- 460 MC 3-HOURLY AND DAILY FLUX

MAY 1957

			Flux	K			Va	riabi	lity		Observed Periods
		Hour						UT			
May	12	15	18	21	Daily	12	15	18	21	Daily	Hours UT
1957	15	18	21	24		15	18	21	24		
1 2 3 4 5	76 84	76 84 84	72 80 77 84 86	70 74 75 80 84	72 77 76 83 85	0	(0) 0	0 (0) 0	0 0 0 0	0 0 (0) 0 1	1205-1506; 1838-2535 1900-2535 1500-2535 1430-2540 1155-2540
6 7 8 9 10	84 93 87 	83 94 87 108 98	78 90 86 94 89	78 92 85 93 82	80 92 86 101 91	0 1 0	0 0 0 0	0 1 0 1 0	0 0 (0) 2 0	0 1 (0) 2 0	1155-2540 1155-2540 1150-2540 1408-2545 1416 2545
11 12 13 14 15	96 100 104 131 114	91 9 2 101 100 97	91 99 90 92 85	89 96 92 89 94	91 96 96 102 97	0 0 0 0 2	(0) 0 0	0 0 1 (0) 1	(0) (0) 0 	(0) (0) 1 (0) 2	1150-2545 1145-2545 1145-2545 1145-2245; 2355-2545 1145-2545
16 17 18 19 20	105 89 93	101 89 91 82 87	82 81 88 76 85	89 86 94 83 95	90 88 94 82 90	0 0	0 0 0 0 2	0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 2	0 0 0 0 2	1400-2550 1415-2550 1140-2550 1140-2550 1140-2550
21 22 23 24 25	96 87 87	83 79 84 85	80 80 80 80	87 87 81 78 81	86 82 83 82 82	2 1 1 0 0	0 0 0 1 0	0 (0) 0	0 (2) 0 0	2 (2) 1 1 0	1140-2555 1140-2555 1345-2555 1343-2555 1135-2212; 2321-2555
26 27 28 29 30	80	82 82 81 71 77	79 80 77 66 74	83 86 81 72 83	81 83 81 72 78	0	0 0 0 0	1 0 0 0	0 (0) 0	1 0 (0) 0	1135-2430 1445-2430 1410-1937; 2115-2600 1135-2600 1400-2600
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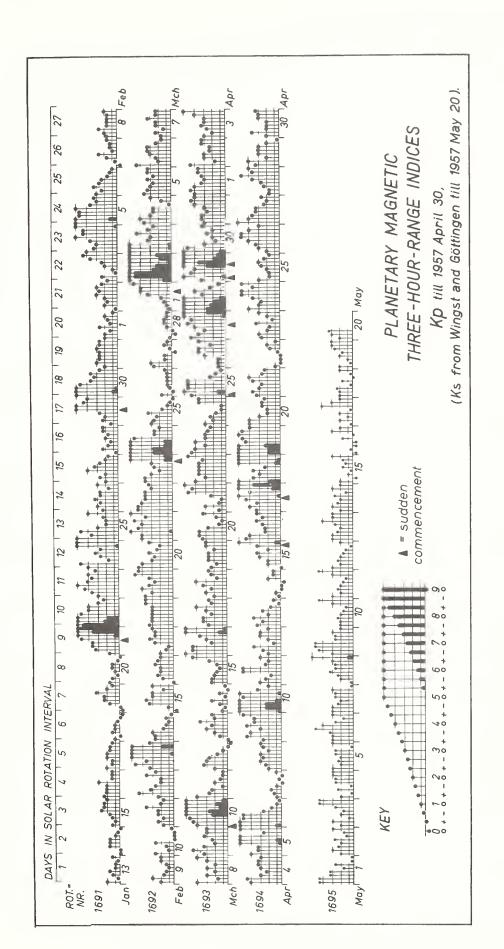
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				Maximum			
May	_	Start	Duration	Time	Inst.	Smd.	
1957	Туре	UI	Hrs:Mins	UT	Flux	Flux	Remarks
5	2	1601.1	00:01.1	1601.9	240	71	
5 5 7 7	2 3 6 3	2123.3 2321.9	00:01.6	2124.3	460 270	82	
7	6	(1155)	(13:45)	~1500		23	
7	3	1457.0	00:00.3	1457.1	260		
7	3	1944.4	00:00.5	1944.5	1300		
9-18	36 38 a	(1408)	(10 days)	~1200*		26	*May 14
9 9	3	2431.6 2440.8	00:00.3 00:02.7	2431.9 2442.6	720 1400	210	
12	3	2519.7	00:00.8	2519.7	230		
13	2	2046.9	00:01.7	2047.3	480	94	
15	8	1406.0	00:02.1	~1406.7	>3400	740	
15 20 - 21	3 6	2402 (1140)	00:03 (2 days)	2402.8 ~2300*	1200	200 18	*May 20
20-21	2	1748.6	00:01.1	1748.6	850	==	\May 20
20	2	2241.4	00:00.2	2241.5	>2000		
21	2	1222.0	00:00.2	1222.1	450		
22	2	1318.5	00:02.0	1319.9	440	80	
22 22	2	2242.1 2459.0	00:01.0	2243.0 2459.2	400 360		
	,						
23 24	3	1352.5 1604.9	00:03.7 00:04.6	1354.6 1607.8	240 200	73 56	
26	3 2 2	2035.7	00:04.0	2043.3	210	20	
28	2	2201	00:05	2204.3	270	63	

Note 1. Frequent interference may have obscured some small solar events. Relatively small events not reported.

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		Values Kp			Final	
Apr.	C	Three hour Gr. interval	Sum	Аp	Selected	
1957		1234 5678		-	Days	
1 2 3 4 5	1.0 0.8 1.0 0.8 1.3	40 4+ 40 3+ 30 3+ 4- 4- 4+ 2- 30 30 2+ 2+ 3+ 3+ 30 20 3- 3+ 30 30 40 50 40 4+ 30 2+ 30 3+ 3+ 30 40 3+ 3+ 5+ 6- 50 3- 50	29+ 23+ 260 26+ 34+	23 15 20 19 37	Five Quiet 7 13 14	
6 7 8 9 10	1.1 0.1 0.6 1.1 1.5	6- 50 5- 5- 3- 2- 10 1- 10 1+ 2- 10 0+ 1- 0+ 10 20 2+ 30 3- 30 20 3- 30 3- 4+ 40 30 4+ 4- 4- 5- 5+ 7- 7- 6- 5- 5+ 3+ 20	260 7+ 21- 30+ 40-	27 4 12 25 58	22 25	
11 12 13 14 15	0.8 0.8 0.5 0.1	30 2+ 2- 5- 5- 2+ 20 30 20 3- 4- 1+ 20 30 30 20 3+ 3- 4- 20 3- 2- 1- 1+ 1- 10 0+ 0+ 00 20 1+ 1+ 0+ 20 20 30 3+ 20 3+ 6-	24- 20- 180 70 22-	17 11 11 4 18	Five Disturbed 5 10 17	
16 17 18 19 20	1.0 1.6 1.5 1.6 0.7	4+ 40 2+ 2+ 3- 3+ 3- 3+ 3+ 40 3+ 4+ 5+ 40 60 8- 6+ 4- 30 4- 2+ 6- 5+ 50 6+ 6+ 7- 4+ 5- 50 5- 40 40 40 30 20 20 3- 3- 2+	250 380 350 420 23-	17 55 42 60 14	18 19	
21 22 23 24 25	0.9 0.2 0.6 1.1	3+ 4- 30 3- 4- 40 3- 2+ 10 0+ 0+ 0+ 1- 2- 20 10 3- 30 20 2- 3+ 1+ 20 30 40 30 3- 4- 5- 5- 4- 5- 30 2- 2- 20 3- 30 2+ 2-	25+ 7+ 190 310 180	17 4 11 27 10	Ten Quiet 7 8 12	
26 27 28 29 30	1.1 0.9 0.9 0.8 0.8	20 30 3+ 40 5- 5- 40 30 50 40 4- 3+ 3+ 2+ 20 3- 2- 2- 2+ 3- 4- 5- 4- 40 3+ 40 20 30 30 30 20 1- 20 4- 20 20 20 30 30 3+	29- 26+ 21+ 210 210	23 20 18 13 12	13 14 22 23 25 29	
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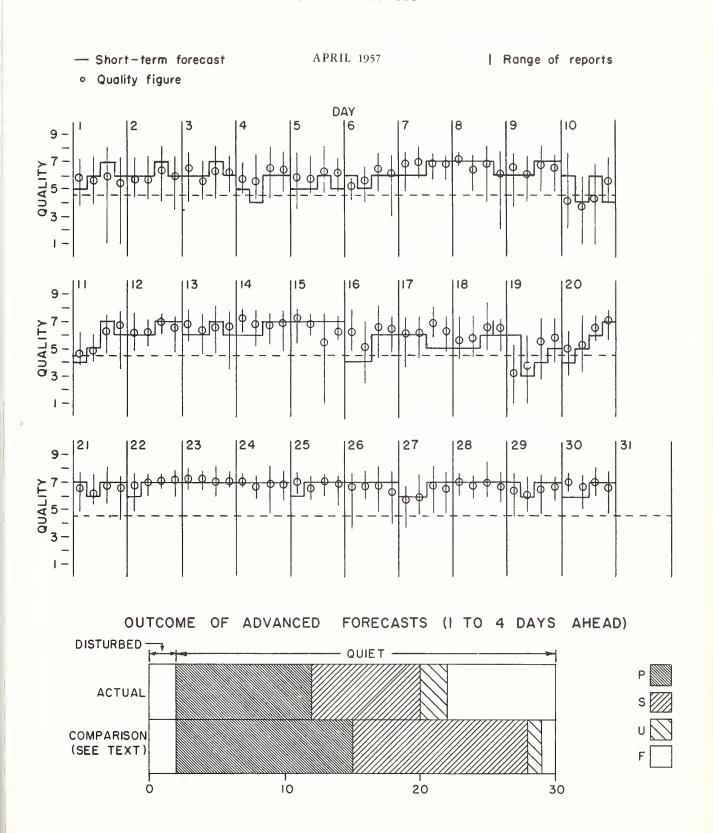


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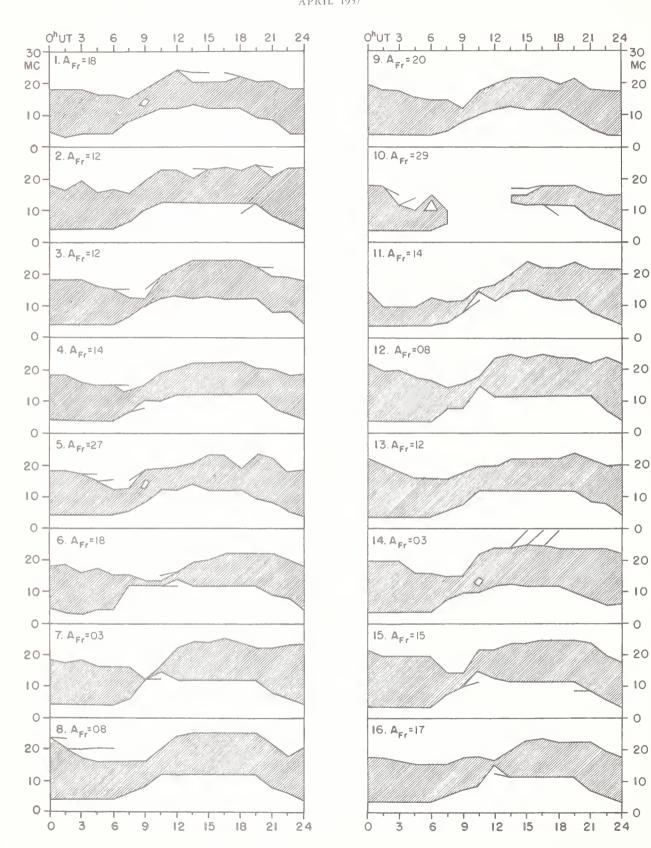
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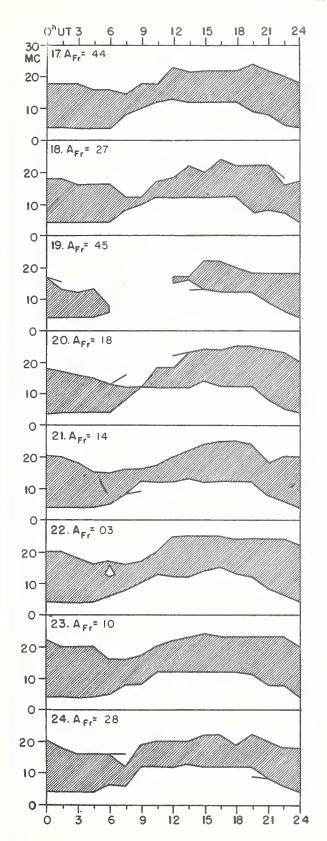
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2	6- 6- 6+ 60	6 6 7 6	60 6 7	3 3
3	7- 6- 6+ 6+	6 6 7 6	6+ 6 7	2 3
4	6- 6- 7- 6+	5 4 6 6	60 6 7	3 3
5	6- 6- 6+ 6+	5 5 6 5	60 4 7	(4) (4)
6 7 8 9	5+ 6- 6+ 60 70 70 7- 7- 70 6+ 7- 60 7- 60 7- 7- 40 4- 4+ 6-	6 5 6 6 6 6 7 7 7 7 7 6 6 6 7 7 6 4 6 4	6- 70 3 7- 7- 7- (4+) 7 6	(4) 1 1 1 2 2 (4) 3 (5) 3
11	5- 5- 6+ 7-	4 5 7 6	6- 7 6	3 3
12	6+ 6+ 70 7-	6 6 7 7	7- 6 7	2 3
13	7- 6+ 7- 7-	6 6 7 6	7- 6 7	2 1
14	7+ 7- 7- 70	6 6 7 7	70 4 7	1 1
15	7+ 70 6- 6+	7 7 7 7	7- 4 7	2 (4)
16	6+ 50 7- 7-	4 4 6 6	60 7 6	3 3
17	60 60 70 6+	6 6 5 5	6+ 5 6	3 (5)
18	6- 6- 7- 60	5 5 6 7	60 4 6	(4) (4)
19	3+ 4- 6- 6-	6 3 4 5	(40) 6 4	(6) (4)
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24	70 7- 7- 7-	7 7 7 7		(4) (4)
25	70 7- 70 70	6 7 7 7		2 2
26	7- 7- 7- 6+	7 7 7 7	7- 7 7	3 (4)
27	6- 60 7- 7-	6 6 7 7	6+ 7 7	(4) 3
28	70 7- 70 7-	7 7 7 7	70 7 7	2 3
29	6+ 60 7- 7-	7 6 7 7	6+ 7 7	3 2
30	70 7- 70 7-	6 6 7 7	7- 7 7	3 3
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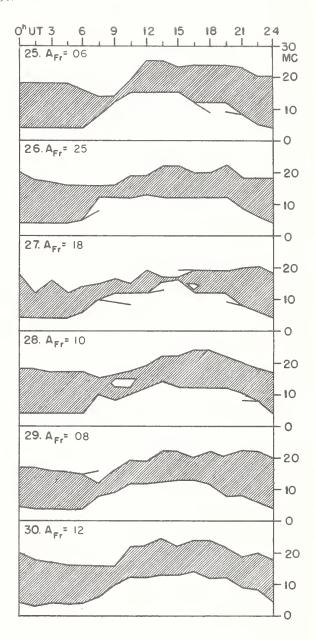
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USEFUL FREQUENCY RANGES -- NORTH ATLANTIC PATH APRIL 1957







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Apr. 1957	North Pacific 8-hourly quality figures	Short-term fore- casts issued at		Whole day index	Advance forecasts (Jp reports) for whole day; issued in advance by:	netic
	03 11 19 to to to 11 19 03	02 10	18		1-4 4-7 8-25 days days days	Half day (1) (2)
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26 27 28 29 30	6 5 5 6 6 6 7 5 6 7 6 7 7 6 6	6 6 5 5 6 6 6 6	6 4	5 6 6 7	5 6 5 6 6 7 6 7 5 6	3 (4) (4) 2 3 (4) 3 3 2 2
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OUTCOME OF ADVANCED FORECASTS (I TO 4 DAYS AHEAD)

